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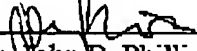
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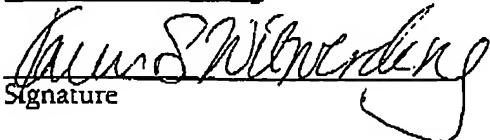
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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed August 6, 2004, Applicant elects claims 1-14 (i.e., the claims of Group I) with traverse. Reconsideration of the restriction requirement is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

REMARKS

The restriction requirement divided the pending claims into two groups as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-14 drawn to a fabric display; and

Group II: Claims 15-20 drawn to a method for displaying a fabric sheet.

The restriction requirement noted that Group I and Group II are related as process of making and product made, and alleges that "the product as claimed can be made by another and materially different process"

However, the claims of Group I and Group II are not related as product and process for making the product. Rather, the method claims of Group II are related to the apparatus claims of Group I as a method for using the fabric display recited in the claims of Group I. Indeed, the fabric arm recited in claim 1 includes three main elements: a main segment that extends forward along side a support arm; a reverse bend at a front end of the main segment; and a bend arm that extends rearwardly from the reverse bend. These exact same elements are recited in the

preamble to independent method claim 15 which then proceeds to recite a number of method steps for supporting a fabric sheet on the fabric arm. Thus, contrary to the statement in the Restriction Requirement, these claims are not related as process of making and product made, but rather they are related as a product and process for using the product so that restriction of these claims sets would be improper.

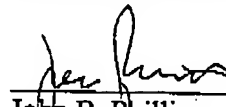
Additionally, the product recited in the Group I claims could not be "made" by the process outlined in the Restriction Requirement (i.e., "providing a fabric sheet, wrapping an upper edge of the sheet around a fabric arm, placing an adhesive on the upper edge, and using the adhesive to secure the upper edge of the sheet to the back surface of the sheet in order to attach the sheet to the fabric arm"). This process has no relation to the present invention and following such a process would not result in the fabric display recited in the claims of Group I.

Lastly, any search required to examine the apparatus claims of Group I would undoubtedly encompass the subject matter of the method claims of Group II. Accordingly, it is requested that restriction requirement be reconsidered and that the claims of Group I and Group II be examined together.

It is believed that claims 1-20 are in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. Should any issues need to be resolved, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attempt to resolve those issues.


Respectfully submitted,

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